

# **Public Health Omnibus Bill House File 2555**

*As amended by Senate Amendment S-5356*

**Executive Summary Only**

Last Action:

**Senate Appropriations  
Committee**

April 13, 2004

**An Act providing for specified changes regarding programs under the purview of the Department of Public Health, providing a penalty, and making an appropriation.**

**Fiscal Services Division  
Legislative Services Agency**

## **NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS

## HOUSE FILE 2555 AS AMENDED BY S-5356 PUBLIC HEALTH OMNIBUS BILL

### **SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

### ***BILL AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE***

### **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE OF IOWA**

- Eliminates the language that establishes Section 135.105D, Code of Iowa, relating to the adoption of administrative rules for voluntary lead hazard remediation standards for owners and managing agents of target housing or child-occupied facilities constructed prior to 1978.
- Establishes a Gifts and Grants Fund in Section 135.39A, Code of Iowa, separate from the State General Fund for the deposit of gift or grant moneys obtained by the Department of Public Health from any source, including the federal government.
- Appropriates the funds deposited into the Gifts and Grants Fund to the Department for the purposes specified in the gift or grant and requires that moneys remaining in the Fund at the end of each fiscal year remain available for expenditure in future fiscal years.
- Establishes Section 135.105D, Code of Iowa, that requires the Department of Public Health to adopt administrative rules for the following:
  - Voluntary lead hazard remediation standards for owners and managing agents of target housing or child-occupied facilities constructed prior to 1978 and the conditions under which an owner or managing agent who has voluntarily completed lead hazard remediation is immune from liability.
  - The development and administration of a central registry of target housing or child-occupied facilities constructed prior to 1978 that meet the Department's lead hazard remediation standards. The Department is required to establish fees to cover costs associated with the administration of the registry and is required to consider providing Internet access to the registry.
- Provides for various technical and substantive changes to programs under the Department of Public Health.
- Establishes Section 156.16, Code of Iowa that permits the Board of Mortuary Science Examiners to investigate the unlicensed practice of funeral directors and funeral and cremation establishments and to impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 for unlicensed activities related to mortuary science. Civil penalties imposed and collected for this type of unlicensed activity would be deposited into the General Fund.
- The amount of gift and grant funds that will be received and available for use by the Department of Public Health is unknown.
- The amount of fees that will be collected to cover the costs of the registry of target housing or child-occupied facilities constructed prior to 1978 cannot be estimated as the number of properties that would be registered is unknown at this time. The estimated cost to the Department of Public Health to provide the registry information via the Internet is \$200 per year.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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- The amount of civil penalties that would be imposed and collected for unlicensed activities related to mortuary science and deposited into the General Fund is unknown. In FY 2003, there were no convictions of individuals practicing unlicensed mortuary science.